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Signature	<i>Marc Brockhaus</i>		
Printed name	Marc A. Brockhaus		
Date	November 2, 2006	Reg. No.	40,923

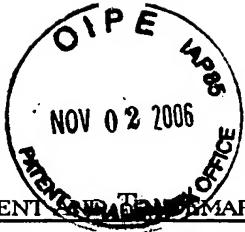
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10/564,215	Gerald A J Hermkins	8245.091

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.

PCT/IB04/02560

I.A. FILING DATE	PRIORITY DATE
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CONFIRMATION NO. 8848

371 FORMALITIES LETTER



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Notification of Insufficient Fees (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/06/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 01/06/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 01/06/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 01/06/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 01/06/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 01/06/2006

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$730** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Surcharge.

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- The application search fee has not been paid. Applicant must submit **\$400** to complete the search fee. Note a surcharge will be required if submitted later than commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)) and the basic national fee was not paid before July 1, 2005.
- The application examination fee has not been paid. Applicant must submit **\$200** to complete the examination fee for a non-small entity. Note a surcharge will be required if submitted later than commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)) and the basic national fee was not paid before July 1, 2005.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER NO.	INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.	ATTY. DOCKET NO.
10/564,215	PCT/IB04/02560	8245.091

FORM PCT/DO/EO/923 (371 Formalities Notice)

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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : **10/564,215** **Confirmation No.: 8848**
Applicants : **Gerald Hermkens, Marcel Smeets, Roger Theelen,**
Peter Thoolen, Frank Speetjens
Filed : **01/06/2006**
TC/Au : **2833**
Examiner : **Shakeel Ahmed**
Title : **Method for Manufacturing a Midplane**
Docket No. : **8245.091**
Customer No. : **30589**

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF INSUFFICIENT FEES (DO/EO/US)
MAILED 09/06/2006

Sir:

This is in response to the Notification of Insufficient Fees (DO/EO/US) mailed to the undersigned Attorney on September 6, 2006, a copy of which is attached hereto as instructed.

The Notice advises as follows:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$730 for a Large Entity.

- \$130 Surcharge.
- The application search fee has not been paid. Applicant must

submit \$400 to complete the search fee. Note a surcharge will be required if submitted later than commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)) and the basic national fee was not paid before July 1, 2005.

- The application examination fee has not been paid. Applicant must submit \$200 to complete the examination fee for a non-small entity. Note a surcharge will be required if submitted later than commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)) and the basic national fee was not paid before July 1, 2005.

The NOTICE mailed September 6, 2006 advises that additional fees in the amount of \$730 for a large entity are required. As requested, enclosed is a Credit Card Payment Form authorizing a charge of \$730.00.

Remarks

Should any fees be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Credit Card Form PTO 2038.

Conclusion

This is believed to be a complete response to the Notification of Insufficient Fees (DO/EO/US) mailed September 6, 2006.

Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in a condition for prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).
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FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2005

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ **730.00**)

Complete if Known

Application Number	10/564,215
Filing Date	01/06/2006
First Named Inventor	Gerald A.J. Hermkens, et al.
Examiner Name	Shakeel Ahmed
Art Unit	2833
Attorney Docket No.	8245.091

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

Check Credit Card Money Order None Other (please identify): _____

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For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)

Charge fee(s) indicated below Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee
 Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayments of fee(s) Credit any overpayments
 under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
- 20 or HP =	0	x	= 0	50	25	

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
- 3 or HP =	0	x	= 0			

HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3.

3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
- 100 =	0	/ 50 = (round up to a whole number) x	= 0	

4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): _____ Response to insufficient fees

730.00

SUBMITTED BY

Signature	Marc Brockhaus	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	40,923	Telephone	405-607-8600
Name (Print/Type)	Marc A. Brockhaus			Date	November 2, 2006

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